

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE #11

Applicant : Patrick S. Schnable et al. Art Unit : 1636  
Serial No. : 09/897,776 Examiner : Unknown  
Filed : June 29, 2001  
Title : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING MULTIPLE START CODONS  
AND HISTIDINE TAGS

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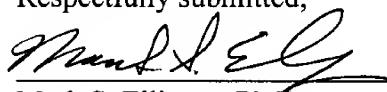
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Under 35 USC §120, this application relies on the earlier filing date of application serial number 09/732,990 filed on December 8, 2000, which claims priority to U.S. provisional application number 60/169,725.

This statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application or before the receipt of a first Office action on the merits. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page);
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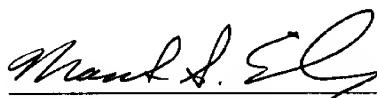
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